# **MOVEMENT** IS TRIVIAL

Net Changes of Stock Prices Insignificant.

MONEY RATE IS FIRMER

Rate for Call Loans Rises to Five Fer Cent-Market Closes Easy After a Rally in Last Hour, When Prices

Were at the Top Level.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW TORK, Oct. 28.—The effect of the St. Louis situation upon the stock market was again somewhat obscure to-day. The expicesions of confidence overnight from that point that the situation is sound had a reassuring effect on the early trading and prices hardened. The opening of business in St. Louis, which was somewhat late, owing to the difference in time, was followed by a reaction in stocks. The very heavy withdrawals of currency from this center by St. Louis carried the level of prices of stock generally below last night. But the last hour of the market showed the best prices of the day, the morning level being generally exceeded by a fraction. In the final dealings prices yielded again, and the cleans was rather easy. A survey of price changes will show that the whole movement was very trivial and not changes were insignificant, except in a few cases. The duliness of the market was itself a reflection in some sort of the uncertainty felt over the St. Louis situation, which prompted a waiting attitude rather than a disposition to sell.

There was not selling which was attri-

Louis situation, which prompted a waiting attitude rather than a disposition to sell.

There was not selling which was attributed to St. Louis account unless it might have been in American Car. On the other hand, the stocks of the Gould Southwestern railroads centering in St. Louis were among the few features of positive strength in the market, although there was nothing to show that there was any significance local to St. Louis attaching to this movement. Pennsylvania was also strong, and People's Gas had an early advance based on a favorable court decision. The speculative movement in Amalgamated Copper might be classed as marking time, and the dealings in the stock were in much diminished volume. The situation at St. Louis resulted in telegraphic transfers to that city from here, through the sub-Treasury, of \$2,100,000. In addition there was \$25,000 sent to Chicago and \$200,000 to New Orleans Banks are also known to be shipping heavily through other channels. This is a plain intimation that the Western crop moving needs, although long deferred, are making large inroads upon local banking reserves, quite aside from the emergency requirements at St. Louis. It was not surprising, therefore, that the rate for call money should rise to 5 per cent, this afternoon, and the tone of the time money market grow distinctly firmer. The rise in local money rates may have contributed to the sharp break in sterling schange, although the offerings of cotton bills in the rate of the plans of the contributed to the sharp break in sterling schange, although the offerings of cotton bills in the rate of the sharp break in sterling schange, although the offerings of cotton bills in the cast of the was some falling off from the reserved volume of bond transections, and a

also engaged.

There was some falling off from the recent volume of bond transactions, and a reactionary tendency in spots made the market irregular. Total rales, par value, 53,55,60. United States 2s advanced is per cent, on the last call.

The total sales of atocks for the day were 26,450 shares.

MONEY AND EXCHANGE—CLOSE: Morey on call firm at 245 per cent; closing bld, 4½ per cent; offered, 5 per cent; time loans, firm; sixty days, 4½ per cent; ninaty days and six months, 42,435 per cent. Sterling exchange weak, with actual business in bankers bills at 48,5374,825,40 for demand and at 44,2374,82,10 for sixty day bills; posted rates, 44,53 and 4,864; commercial bills, 44,513,415,15, Bar silver, 505; Mexican dollars, 454.

The Board of Governors has decided to deny the petition to close the Stock Exchange next Monday, the day before elec-

RICHMOND STOCK MARKET. Richmond, Va., Oct. 28, 1903. SALES.

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MISCELLANEOUS. American Lecomotive pfd....100 Consolidated Tob. 4s bends...100 Va.-Car. Chem. pfd 8 p. c...100 Va.-Car. Chem. com....100 Va.-Car. C. Co. Col Tr. 5 p. c....

NEW YORK, Oct. 28.—The cotton market opened firm. I point lower to 8 higher, the derlina being configed to the November option, and for a time ruled from, showing advances, shortly after the call of from 8610 points on better cables than expected and continued bull support in the winter months. The weather, uside from further reports of frost in some few sections was favorable, however, and with the receipts both atp orts and interior points heavy, liquidation soon set in and imperted a reactionst taggressed, and until near the large was the section of the previous night with trading very moderate. Then Wall Street turned a heavy seller and prices weakened rapidly, with the market closing at practically the lowest prices of the sections of 62(10 points. Sales were estimated at 400,000 bales against 650,000 bles yesterday and 1,500,000 bales the provious diff. A following Southers of the section of the sectio

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PRIVATE WIRES TO FRINCIPAL MARKETS

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X)	Mexican Central	914	9254	2134	915	914	Total number of shar	es sold.	407,600.		

CLOSING BOND QUOTATIONS.

S. S. refunding 2s coupon   10745   Chicago R. I. and Pac. 4s.   74%   Nerfolk and Western   S. S. S. registered   10845   Chicago R. I. and Pac. col. 5s.   75   Organ Short Line 4s.   Pennsylvanis conv.   S. S. New 4s. registered   13445   Chicago Terminal si   74   Pennsylvanis conv.   Reading General 4s.   Pennsylvanis conv.   Reading General 4s.   Pennsylvanis conv.   Reading General 4s.   Pennsylvanis conv.   Pennsylva
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No. 2 mixed (car lots)...
No. 2 white (acr lots)...
No. 3 mixed (acr lots)...
Winter seeds (bag lots)..
RYE—Va. bag lots ......

CATTLE MARKETS.

HERR'S ISLAND, PA., Oct. 28.—CATTLE—Lower, Choice, \$5.33@5.50; prime \$5.10@5.25; fair \$3.40@4.00. Hogs—Lover, Prims beary, \$5.90@5.95; mediums, \$5.95@0.00, heavy yorkers, \$5.50@5.50; crughs, \$4.40.50. Sheep—Lower, Prime wethers, \$3.90@3.75; culls and common, \$1.50@2.00; choice lambs, \$5.90@5.50; yeal calves, \$7.00@7.75.

CINCINNATI, O., Oct. 28,—UOGS—Actore at \$4.00\,\pi\_5.00. Cattle—Weak at \$2\,\pi\_4.50. Sheep—Strady at \$1.75\,\pi\_325. Lamba—Strong at \$3.75\,\pi\_5.50.

MISCELLANEOUS MARKETS.

NORFOLK, VA., Oct. 28.—PEANUTS—Formers' market quiet. Fancy, 8½c.; strictly prime, 8½c.; prime, 8c.; common, 2% 23c.; Spanish, per bushel, 89c. No new crop coming in.

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PETERSBURG, VA., Oct. 28.—PEANUTS—
Spanish. 1904/12/pc. Market firm, stock ignl
and few being offered. Virginia's, 3/4c. for
fancy; market steads.

NAVAL STORES.

WILMINGTON N. C. Oct. 28.—SPIRITS
TURPENTINE—Firm 5.514c.; recepits, 41
casks. Rosin—Steady at 55240; recepits, 41
casks. Rosin—Steady at 5520; recepits, 41
barrels. The Turnetine—Firm at 52 2363.80;
SAVANNAH, GA. Oct. 28.—TURPENTINE—
Quoted at 554(c.; recepits, 905 casks; sales, 870
casks. Rosin—Firm; recepits, 1,511 barrels, 5418cs, 2,251 barrels.
OHAGLESTON, S. C., Oct. 28.—TURPENTINE—Quoted at 554(c. Rosin—Firm; Ros

COTTONSEED OIL MARKET.

NEW YORK, Oct. 28.—Cottonsed oil dull and nominally easier. Prime crudents, 6. b. mills, 7762746.; prime survey low, 37c. spot. November. 34c.; of summer yellow, 35c, 49c.; prime white, 45c.; prime winter yellow, 45c.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

Steamer Brandon, Rhodes, Norfolk, merchan dise and passengers, Old Dominion line.

PORT OF WEST POINT, OCT. 28, 1903.
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PORT OF RICHMOND, OCT. 28, 1903.

40 @40 % 42 @42 % 89 % @40 47 @50 60 @67

	ACCRECATE VALUE OF		
November10.01	10.10	0.02	9,92
Decemberf10.16	10.20	10.01	10.02
January 10.00	10.12	0.95	9.95
February10.13	10.13	0.97	9 07
March10.10	10.15	9.97	9.97
April10.13	10.11	10.08	10.08
May10.17	10.15		9.97
June10.15	10.17		10.01
July10.15	10.16	10.01	10.01
Stot cotton closed	quiet:	mid-illing	uplands,
10.35; middling gulf,	10.00;	sales, 568	bales.

Consolidated at all employees.

Consolidated at all employees to Great Britain, 81,783 bales; to the Conlinent, 40,228 bales; to Japan, 1,600 bales. September is at all scaports—Net receipts, 1,827,519 bales; to great Britain, 485,763 bales; to France, 161,525 bales; to the Continent, 487,768 bales; to Japan, 1,933 bales; to Mexico, 2,900 bales.

NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 25.—COTTON—Spot cotton was in fair demand, but the views of factors were weakened by cruntry offerings at 3-10c, below yesterday's band factors from the cotton was in fair demand, but the views of factors were weakened by cruntry offerings at 3-10c, below yesterday's band factors.

Figures opened 560 bales; including 2,500 to arriver, and the control of the

### PRODUCE MARKET.

NEW YORK, Oct. 29.—FLOUR—Quieter, but id at idd prices. Ryc—Quiet; fair to good, \$360, 40. Buckwheat + Flour—Firm. Cornment. Lendy; yellow western, \$1.00. Ryc—Steady. arley—Quiet. held at old prices. Rye—Quiet; fair to good. \$382

3.40. Buckwheat Flour-Firm. Cornneal—
Steady; yellow western, \$1.00. Rye—Steady.
Barley—Quiet.

Wheat—Spot, steady; No. 2 red, \$545. Options displayed considerable heaviness this more line in response to St. Louis declines and to local bear pressure. Later they railied on a scare of shrits and export rumors, closing partide, net higher. May closed at \$355.; July \$50.; December, \$356.

Corn—Spot, firm; No. 2 nominal, Option market was quiet and barely steady. In the afternoon it railied with the closing 16,756. net higher. May be seed to the steady of predictions of rin in the seed of the seed of

BALTIMORE STOCK MARKET

BALTIMORE, MD. Oct. 28.—Seeboard Air common, not quoted: do. preferred, 2014, recently life; common, 1034; bld; do. preferred, 2014, recently life; seeboard 4. for some common, not quoted: do. preferred, 2014, recently life; log leland, \$1.75 d2.12; Jermore, 1114c.; October, 114c.; Eggs—steady; State and ine common, not quoted: do. preferred, 2014, recently life; log leland, \$1.75 d2.12; Jermore, 1034; bld; do. preferred, 2014, recently life; log leland, \$1.75 d2.12; Jermore, 1034; bld; do. preferred, 2014, recently life; log leland, \$1.75 d2.50. Iven bridge common, 1034; bld; do. preferred, 2014, recently life; log leland, \$1.75 d2.12; Jermore, 1034; bld; do. preferred, 2014, recently life; log leland, \$1.75 d2.50. Iven bridge common, 1034; bld; do. preferred, 2014, recently life; log leland, \$1.75 d2.50. Iven bridge common, 1034; bld; do. preferred, 2014, recently life; log leland, \$1.75 d2.50. Iven bridge common, 1034; bld; do. preferred, 2014, recently life; log leland, \$1.75 d2.50. Iven bridge common, 1034; bld; do. preferred, 2014, recently life; log leland, \$1.75 d2.50. Iven bridge common, 1034; bld; do. preferred, 2014, recently life; log leland, \$1.75 d2.50. Iven bridge common, 1034; bld; do. preferred, 2014, recently life; log leland, \$1.75 d2.50. Iven bridge common, 1034; bld; do. preferred, 2014, recently life; log leland, \$1.75 d2.50. Iven bridge common, 1034; bld; do. preferred, 2014, recently life; log leland, \$1.75 d2.50. Iven bridge common, 1034; bld; do. preferred, 2014, recently life; log leland, \$1.75 d2.50. Iven bridge common, 1034; bld; do. preferred, 2014, recently life; log leland, \$1.75 d2.50. Iven bridge common, 1034; bld; do. preferred, 2014, recently life; log leland, \$1.75 d2.50. Iven bridge common, 1034; bld; do. preferred, 2014, recently life; log leland, \$1.75 d2.50. Iven bridge common, 1034; bld; do. preferred, 2014, recently life; log leland, \$1.75 d2.50. Iven bridge common, 1034; bld; do. preferred, 2014, recently life; log leland, \$1.75 d2.50. Iven bri

CHICAGO, ILL., Oct. 28.—The funncial situa-tion at St. Louis, in conjunction with the un-settled condition of December wheat there, was a puzzle, that kept traders here guessing to-day, and wheat prices were largely influenced by the action of the Southwest market, Witt, a fair rally there late in the day the market here closed firm with December wheat We, higher. December corn was up %@Nc., oats were %c. higher, and January provisions were from a shade to 10c. higher.

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Flem. No. 2 suring wheat, 81/54c, 1 No. 3, 156(73c); No. 2 suring wheat, 81/54c, 1 No. 3, 156(73c); No. 2 corn, 445(c); No. 2 corn, 445(c); No. 2 corn, 445(c); No. 2 corn, 445(c); No. 3 corn, 445(c); No. 2 corn, 445(c); No. 3 corn, 445(c); No. 3 corn, 445(c); No. 3 corn, 445(c); No. 2 corn, 445(c); No. 3 corn, 445(c); No. 2 corn, 465(d); No. 3 c

RICHMOND GRAIN MARKET. OLUTATIONS

# SAM PARKS ON TRIAL

Damaging Evidence Heard Against Him.

HE WANTED NO CHECKS

Charge Against the Walking Delegate is of Extortion from the Tiffany Corporation - Stir in the Court Room.

(By Associated Pars.)
NEW YORK, Oct. 28.—The first witness

alled in the present trial of Samuel Parks, on this charge of extortion was Benjamin Thackara, who took the stand the man who, it is alleged, was sent by the Tittany corporation to see Parks to ascertain why the men employed by it city last December. He told of his meeting with Parks and of having asked why the men had stopped work. Parks said, according to the witners,

go to crew."
David Frazee, general superintendent, employed by the Tiffany Stow os, told of his interview with Parks in a saloon, when Parks again said that Tiffany was taler in the same day Fra fined \$500. Later in the same day Fra zee, accompanied by Louis Schmitt treas zee, accompanied by Louis Schmitt treas-urer of the Tiffany corporation, visited Parks in his own home. Schmitt asked Parks, the witness said, why the "fine" of \$500 was imposed, and Parks replied: "Now you're fined \$500 and you are get-ting off light. It ought to be \$1,00. The amount of the business for my hearts, and you're getting off easy."
Schmitt, according to the witness, then

and you're getting off easy."

Schmitt, according to the witness, then said: "We have to pay this money in order to do bus ness?"

"That's about it," said Parks, "but it's for 'initiation." That sounds better," Louis Schmitt's story of the interview with Parks was in the main corroborative of Frazee's testimony. Parks told them that the fine should be pa'd and that until it was not a bit of work would be done on the Tiffany jobs. The witness said that Parks' reply to his question as to whom the money would go was 'it goes to Sam Parks, and you can go to any of the firms that have done business with me and find out that Sam Parks' word goes."

Schmitt testified that Parks refused to accept a check when he suggested that

dise and passengers, Old Dominion line,
SAILED.
Steamer Pacabonias, Graves' James River landings and Norfolk, merchantes and passengers.
Virginia Navigation Company.
Steamer Brandon, Rodes, Norfolk, merchandise and passengers, Old Dominion line,
Schooner Hester A, Waters, Sullivan, James
River, light.

Parks' word goes."
Schmitt testified that Parks refused to accept a check when he suggested that method of paying the "fine," saying: "You don't think that I was born yesterday. It want b'lls and you can get them-marked by Tiffany or Jerome or anyone you like."

A sitr west around the court-room when the witness told of Parks saying that he could employ non-union men. "Why, the union men will kick," I said to him, the witness declared. "Never mind," revi'ed parks "I've got the employ may be the can't get another job in the city."

Schmitt then testified that he had gone alone to Parks' residence two days later and handed Parks an envelope containing the \$50 in bills and gold. Parks then said that the men would resume work the following morning, which they did.

### POLITICS IN PATRICK

Fulton Makes a Great Speech to the V-ten-

Steamer Concho, Galveston.

Bark Lillian, Norfolk.

Strumer Concho, New York.

Schooner Thomas W. Lawson, Boston.
Schooner Emma F. Angell, Salem.
Schooner Henry W. Cramp, Norfolk.

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The wedding cake of Princes. Aloe of Battenberg was six feet high, It was one of the large't cakes ever made for a royal bride, although thit presented to Princess Beitrice by the laddes of Kert was about twenty inches taller. Tell term masterpieces in confecti nery of it for guidence in the countouse. Mr. Fulton during uness. It is a rule at royal we'd night to the separate for the Senate from the Sixth Senatorial District, was present and made a royal bride, although this presented to princess Beitrice by the laddes of kert was about twenty inches taller. Tell term masterpieces in confect nery of it foo guiness. It is a rule at royal we'd night to be a speaker of no mean ability, and made a fine impression, irrespective of party affiliations.

It was a great speech, we'll delivered. Mr. Fulton's election is regarded as gure.

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Convention Adjourns After Passing Resolu lo s Recommending Appropriation by Congress-Speech of Mr. R. H. Edmonds.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., October 28 .- The Interstate Mississippi River Improvement ind Levee Association concluded its sesresolutions in favor of government jurisgovernment control is not advisable, and endorsing the proposed waterway from the Great Lakes to the Gulf and the Chi-

Judge Robert S. Taylor's appeal against

the report of the Committee on Resolu-tions was presented, as follows: "Resolved, That in the judgment of this

tions was presented, as follows:

"Resolved, That in the judgment of this convention, the protection of the Mississippi Valley from floods is of such national importance as not only to justify, but to make it the duty of the general government to under take it and press it to the speedlest possible completion. If for any reason the exercise of sole jurisdiction at this time by the general government should not be deemed advisable, then this convention urges most carnestly that Congress make at its approaching session such appropriations as are recommended by the Mississippi River Commission in its recent report.

"Resolved, further, That the system of river improvements in the Valley of the Mississippi, from its headwaters to the Guif, and in the Valley of the Ohio and other, tributaries, now provided for, and those which may hereafter be provided for by Congress, under the supervision of the United States engineers, meets our heagty commendation, and should be pressed to completion without unnecessary delay.

unqualified approval to the movement for

ing the Great Lakes at the north with the Mississippi River, and the Gulf of Mexico at the south.

"We recognize the expenditure of thirty-five millions of dollars by the sanitany district of Chicago as a practical demonstration in the furtherance of this project. We express the hope that the senators and representatives in Congress enators and representatives in Congress from the various States represented in from the various. States represented in this convention will give their encouragement and assistance to congress and leg-slation in favor of the competition of the deep waterway, to which the Missless ppi Valley States have already given their approval and to which the State of Ill nois and the sanitary district of Chicago are committed as a matter of policy and by great financial expenditures already made."

The resolutions were received with ap-plause and were unanimously adorted. A committee was appointed to memo-rialize Congress with the resolution adopt-

ed.
President Scott then introduced Han.
Charles S. Fairchild, of New York, who
said that as the government had aided
transcontinental railroads, had taken up trrigation of the west, and is planning an Isthmian Canal, he believed the levee roject should receive equal attention

DOUBLE COTTON PRODUCTION. Mr. Richard H. Edmonds, editor of the Manufacturers' Record, followed Mr. Fairchild, He said in part;

Fairchild. He said in part;
"Proper leveding of the Mississinp
R'ver will bring into cultivable conditor thirty thousand square miles of alluvial soil upon which, with the prevailing me-thods, may be raised double the present cotton crop of the whole country. The

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world is crying for more cotton. England and the continent are seeking to develop its cultivation in the heart of Africa. Even the president of the New England Even the president of the New Englard Cotton Manufacturing Association at 1 s annual meeting a few weeks ago expressed the hope that cotton production mint be increased in other countries in order to increase the world's supply. But, here is a region which may be reclaimed by national work, large enough to produce twice as much cotton as the who a South now grows—a region which could add a billion dollars a year to the agricultural output of the country. That, however, is but a part of the value of this work. Proper leveeing would not simply mean the adding of 20 000,000 acres or mo of the mest fertile soil in the world to our national domain, it would mean untold wealth added to the region drained by the Mississippi and its tributaries, and thus to the whole country. Can any man imagine that any country in Europe with such an opportunity before it would hesitate for one moment in embarking upon a plan comprehensive enough to measure up to such unbounded possibilities?

Congressman John Sharp Williams, of Mississippi, was introduced and strongly defended the constitutionality of government in effecting that protection.

Judge George II. Maxwell, of the National Irrigation Association, spoke next.

At the conclusion of Mr. haxwell's address, letters and telegrams were readfrom Governors. Senators Congressmen, railroad presidents and others, expressing sympathy with the movement, and the convention finally adjourned. Cotton Manufacturing Association at 1 Stock Exchange.

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

CHASE CITY, VA.. Oct. 23.—There we on the buildings destroyed by the fire Tueday morning and only about five of any considerable value. These were insured. The others were cheap structures. A large proportion of the contents were removed. When matters are adjusted a better class of buildings will be creeted.

The Masonic Lodge lost all of 'ts furniture and paraphernalia, but had three-fourths insurance.

The Mecklenburg now has a good number of guests and this is a most delightful season to enjoy the country. Some of the visitors participate in fox hunting with the local fox clasers.

Among the guests now here are General Charles Heywood and wife of Washington city; C. D. Langhorne, Mrs. N. L. Shaw, W. H. Langhorne, of Albermarie; Thomas Gallaher, of Belfast; L. W. Wise and wife, of Richmond; Dr. Charles D. Melver and wife, of Greenshoro, N. C.; J. F. Wallington, of Reldsville, N. C.; Mrs. C. F. Belley, of Ralligh, N. C.; J. L. Cook, of Louisville, Ky., and F. B. Sandidge, of Baltimore.

Mr. Langhorne and Mrs. Shaw have ther horses and Queen Bee will have a trial in a fox chase over the red hills of Mecklenburg.

### POLITICAL SPEAKING

Stubbs, Kelly, Edwards and Marshall Expected t Speak at Williamsh rz.

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(Special to The Times-D sputch.)
WILLIAMSBURG, VA., Oct. 28.—A
meeting of the voters of Williamsburg
and James City has been arranged for
Friday night. The following speakers at 8
expected: J. N. Stubbs. of Gloucester; S.
R. Kelly, of Richmond; T. H. Edward,
of West Point, and Marshall Peterson, of
Norfolk.

This will be the first political meeting held here during the campaign, though there has been considerable house to house canvassing, and heart to heart talks. Fluva a a d o chad.

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(Special to The Times-D spatch.)

KENT'S STORK, VA. Oct. 28.—On the eve of the coming election it is certain that the Democratic nominee for the House of Delegates, Mr. E. A. Gray, will be elected by a handsome majority in both this county and Goochland. T. contest for the office of sheriff in this county is waging warm, both candidates being very popular, and the majority for the office with the majority for the office of sheriff in this county is waging warm, both candidates being very popular, and the majority for the will not be large. The only other office which is exciting any interest is that of commissioner of the revenue on the Northside, and as this is a three-cornered right, it is hard to predict the outcome, though Mr. L. E. Mosby seems to be in the lead so far. For the offices of Commonnewalth's attorney and incumbents.

## VIENNESE ÆRIALISTS

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